

**PATENT APPLICATION**

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re the Application of

Seiki TOMITA et al.

Group Art Unit: 3739

Application No.: 09/648,547

Examiner: D. Shay

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Docket No.: 107126

For: LASER TREATMENT APPARATUS

**SUBMISSION OF NEW DECLARATION**

Commissioner for Patents  
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Sir:

A Request for Continued Examination was filed in the above-identified application on June 8, 2004.

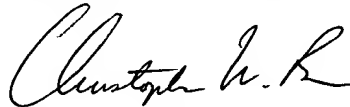
In the December 8, 2003 Final Rejection, the Patent Office alleged that the originally filed Declaration was defective. However, Applicants argued in the Amendment After Final Rejection filed on June 2, 2004, that the originally filed Declaration was not defective, the address change of Shinichi Metsuura written on the originally filed Declaration having been validated by the inventor's signature.

Nevertheless, in an effort to fully obviate the objection to the Declaration, submitted herewith is a newly executed Declaration by the inventors.

Applicants thus respectfully request entry of this new Declaration and reconsideration and withdrawal of the objection to the originally filed Declaration.

Favorable consideration and prompt allowance of pending claims 1-3, 5 and 7-13 are earnestly solicited. Should the Examiner believe that anything is necessary in order to place this application in condition for allowance, the Examiner is invited to contact the undersigned at the telephone number set forth below.

Respectfully submitted,



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LASER TREATMENT APPARATUS

described and claimed in the specification:

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- \*a. ☐ attached hereto.  
b. ☒ filed on August 28, 2000 as Application No. 09/648,547.

I hereby state that I have reviewed and understand the contents of the above-identified specification, including the claims, as amended by any amendment referred to above.

I acknowledge the duty to disclose to the Office all information known to me to be material to patentability as defined in Title 37, Code of Federal Regulations, §1.56.

Under Title 35, U.S. Code §119, the priority benefits of the following foreign application(s) and/or United States provisional application(s) filed by me or my legal representatives or assigns within one year prior to this application are hereby claimed:

Japanese Patent Application No. 11-247192 filed September 1, 1999 in Japan

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